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In re:	
ELLIMAE L. LARRABEE, R.N.)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Mars Hill, Maine	REGARDING REPRIMAND
License # R034564	

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Ellimae L. Larrabee's license to practice nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 5 M.R.S.A. § 9053(2). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Ellimae L. Larrabee, the Maine State Board of Nursing ('the Board'') and the Department of the Attorney General, State of Maine. This Consent Agreement arose out of an informal conference held on November 21, 1996 regarding the letters dated August 7 and 20, 1996 from Dawn Michaud, R.N., Manager, CRA Managed Care, Inc.

FACT

- 1. CRA Managed Care, Inc. reported that Ms. Larrabee engaged in fraudulent documentation and billing.
- 2. Ms. Larrabee was to perform assessments on children. Ms. Larrabee did not actually see the child to be assessed in at least 43 of the 92 required assessments that she reported.
- 3. Agency policy is that the child must be seen to be assessed.
- 4. Ms. Larrabee was aware of this policy.
- 5. Ms. Larrabee was terminated for fraudulent documentation and billing.
- 6. Ms. Larrabee submitted a letter of resignation the day before her termination.
- 7. There is no documented patient harm.
- 8. The agency became aware that Ms. Larrabee was not seeing some of the children after a mother complained to the Department of Human Services.
- 9. Ms. Larrabee has been a registered nurse since 1991.

AGREEMENT

Ms. Larrabee's conduct in this matter constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(A) and (F). Ms. Larrabee is hereby **REPRIMANDED**. The Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts.

Ms. Larrabee understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her license to practice nursing in Maine. This Consent Agreement may be amended only in writing, signed by all parties. Ms. Larrabee understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering this Consent Agreement. Ms. Larrabee affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

DATED: 1-27-97

Ellimas J. Favalis, W.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:

DATED: 1/28/97

JEAN C. CARON, M.S., R.N.

Executive Director

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

DATED: <u>/ /3//92</u>

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